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Examiner Name	Walter D. Griffin
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**REMARKS**

Enclosed is an Amendment Response to Paper No. 18 dated 7/25/03, and a Declaration under 37 CFR 1.132. No fee is due.

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT**

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

**Bruce R. Cook, et al.**

SERIAL

NUMBER: **09/676,875**

FILED: **September 29, 2000**

FOR: **CATALYTIC STRIPPING FOR  
MERCAPTAN REMOVAL**

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

This is in response to the Third Office Action (Paper No. 18) dated  
July 25, 2003.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which  
begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

**Declaration under 37 CFR 1.132** attached (3 pages) to Office Action  
response.